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SUBJC SECRETARY SIMON'S VISIT TO INDIA -- PRESS TREATMENT

1. NOT SURPRISINGLY, REPRESENTATIVES OF THE FOREIGN PRESS AND WIRE SERVICES STATIONED IN NEW DELHI HAVE EXPRESSED STRONG INTEREST IN HAVING SECRETARY SIMON HOLD A PRESS CONFERENCE IN NEW DELHI. THEY POINT OUT THAT MOST FOREIGN NEWSPAPERS AND WIRE SERVICES ARE NOT REPRESENTED IN BOMBAY.

2. WE UNDERSTAND THEIR PROBLEM AND AGREE TO PASS ON THEIR REQUEST. HOWEVER, WE HAVE MADE NO PROMISES AND SEE NO NEED FOR A PRESS CONFERENCE HERE OR IN BOMBAY, ESPECIALLY SINCE THERE WILL BE A QUESTION PERIOD FOLLOWING THE SECRETARY'S SPEECH IN BOMBAY.

3. THE POSSIBILITY OF HOLDING A PRESS BACKGROUNDER AS OPPOSED TO A PRESS CONFERENCE REMAINS AND THIS COULD BE CONSIDERED AT A LATER DATE IF THIS ACCORDS WITH THE SECRETARY'S WISHES.

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